MEDICAL LABORATORY BOARD PERSONNEL AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Date: July 12, 2006

Time: **1:00 p.m., CDT**

Location: Millennium Maxwell House

2025 Metro Center Blvd. Nashville, TN 37228

Members Present: Martha Duncan, MT, Committee Chairperson

Thomasa Cooper, MT

Norman Crowe, Independent Lab Management/Admin Representative

Yvonne Davis, MT Linda Lahr, MT

Alison McDonald-Spakes, CT

John C. Neff, M.D. Trudy Papuchis, M.D.

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Lynda S. England, MT, Consultant II, Director

Cheryl H. Thacker, MT, Consultant I, Administrator

Robert Kraemer, Advisory Attorney Nicole Armstrong, Advisory Attorney

Presiding Officer: Martha Duncan, MT

Minutes: Minutes from the personnel and education committee were presented at the full Medical Laboratory Board meeting for approval.

Proceedings and Action Taken:

1. With a quorum present, Ms. Duncan called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m.

Ms. Duncan welcomed Ms. Nicole Armstrong, Advisory Attorney. Ms. Armstrong is taking Mr. Robert Kraemer's place as he assumes new duties.

2. Review Correspondence

A. The Committee discussed Rule 1200-6-1-.12 regarding continuing education requirements for medical laboratory personnel. Ms. Lahr informed the committee that she was asked to visit a facility to give information to the licensees about the continuing education Rule and avenues of obtaining CE credit. Mr. Kraemer suggested that it is not a good idea for Board members to start that practice. Ms. Davis commented that she has had several comments from licensees in rural areas that the cost is too high for continuing education materials.

Ms. Cooper asked for clarification regarding the continuing education requirement for a licensee reactivating a retired license. Ms. England explained that the requirement is tied to the calendar year.

B. Ms. Thacker informed the committee that Tennessee State University in Nashville has asked for approval of the following clinical rotation site for its medical laboratory technologist students:

Saint Thomas Hospital 4220 Harding Rd. Nashville, TN 37205

Ms. McDonald-Spakes recused herself. During discussion of the submitted documentation, Ms. Lahr had some concern regarding the NAACLS Rule about training medical laboratory technology students and medical laboratory technician students at the same bench. The committee asked Ms. Thacker to have the Training Coordinators at all of the Tennessee MT and MLT training programs to provide a schedule for each program and for the training programs to communicate with each other regarding keeping the MT students and the MLT students separate on the bench.

Also, during discussion, the committee will require that, when a training program submits a request for a new clinical affiliation site, they must indicate if MT's and MLT's are both being trained at that site. The committee referred to Rule 1200-6-2-.01(8).

Following discussion, Dr. Neff made a motion to approve the request. Mr. Crowe seconded the motion. The motion carried.

- C. Ms. Thacker informed the committee that Lincoln Memorial University in Harrogate, TN has asked for approval of the following clinical rotation sites for its medical laboratory technology students:
 - 1. East Tennessee Children's Hospital 2018 Clinch Avenue Knoxville, TN 37916

Following a review of the submitted documentation, Mr. Crowe made a motion to approve the request. Dr. Neff seconded the motion. The motion carried.

2. Jellico Community Hospital 188 Hospital Lane Jellico, TN 37762

Following a review of the submitted documentation, Dr. Neff made a motion to approve the request. Ms. Lahr seconded the motion. The motion carried.

3. Blount Memorial Hospital 907 East Lamar Alexander Parkway Maryville, TN 37804

Following a review of the submitted documentation, Ms. Lahr made a motion to approve the request. Mr. Crowe seconded the motion. The motion carried.

D. Ms. Thacker informed the committee that MedVance Institute in Cookeville, TN has asked for approval of the following clinical rotation sites for its medical laboratory technician students:

Stone Crest Medical Center 200 Stone Crest Blvd. Smyrna, TN 37167

Ms. Duncan recused herself. During discussion, Dr. Neff expressed concern about how the MLT students would receive enough exposure to Blood Bank in a hospital of that size. Dr. Neff requested that the MLT students receive adequate training in Blood Bank and Transfusion Medicine at Stone Crest Medical Center and he instructed Ms. Thacker to contact MedVance and have them meet with Stone Crest to make sure the students get sufficient training in Blood Bank and Transfusion Medicine. Ms. Lahr also added that sometimes the Program Director could bring a student back to the student lab where they could receive additional training with mock up situations. Dr. Neff made a motion to deny this request until MedVance and Stone Crest could produce documentation that the MLT students would receive sufficient training in Blood Bank and Transfusion Medicine. Mr. Crowe seconded the motion. The motion carried.

E. Dr. Deborah Crowe, Ph.D., Director of DCI Transplant Immunology Laboratory came before the committee to discuss the histocompatibility licensure requirements, especially pertaining to a medical technologist licensed in hematology. Ms. Cooper recused herself prior to the discussion on this subject. Dr. Crowe explained that DCI has a six month training period and then the trainee would take the certification exam. Dr. Crowe said that DCI could provide proof of this training.

Mr. Crowe said that this situation will come up time and time again. There was much discussion regarding the question if this person would need to have a Bachelor of Science in Medical Technology. Another question was could they train this person and then allow the person to get nationally certified? Ms. England suggested setting up a training program indicating that, of course, it doesn't help in the short term, but it would in the long term.

Dr. Neff agreed with Dr. Crowe that this person is better qualified than a generalist would be in this situation. Dr. Crowe asked if hematology could be opened up to have histocompatibility as part of hematology. The committee, after much discussion, decided that histocompatibility could not be part of hematology. Dr. Neff made a motion to deny Dr. Crowe's request to have a medical technologist licensed in hematology to be able to work in the histocompatibility area. Ms. Lahr seconded the motion. The motion carried. Ms. England expressed that she would be willing to work with Dr. Crowe and DCI on setting up a training program.

3. Review files for eligibility.

1.<u>Ila Patel</u> - Dickson, TN - Medical Laboratory Technician

Ms. Thacker informed the committee that Ms. Patel was educated and clinically trained in India. She also possesses national certification as a medical laboratory technician obtained by examination through the American Society for Clinical Pathology and the National Certifying Agency for Medical Laboratory Personnel. After discussion, Dr. Neff motioned to approve this request for licensure. Ms. Lahr seconded the motion. The motion carried.

2. Bhumika Patel - Murfreesboro, TN - Medical Laboratory Technician

Ms. Thacker informed the committee that Ms. Patel was educated and clinically trained in India. She also possesses national certification as a medical laboratory technician obtained by examination through the American Medical Technologists (AMT) certifying agency. After discussion, Mr. Crowe motioned to approve this request for licensure. Ms. Cooper seconded the motion. The motion carried.

4. Review and ratification

A. New Licenses and Temporary Licenses (Attachment 1)

After review, Ms. Lahr motioned to ratify the new licenses and temporary licenses from April 1, 2006 - June 30, 2006 with a second to the motion by Ms. Cooper. The motion carried.

B. Reinstatements (Attachment 2)

After review, Ms. Lahr motioned to ratify the reinstatements from April 1, 2006 – June 30, 2006 with a second to the motion by Ms. Cooper. The motion carried.

C. Closed Files (Attachment 3)

There were no closed files at this time.

5. Administrative Revocation /Insufficient Funds

There were no administrative revocation of funds at this time.

6. Rulemaking Update/ Jerry Kosten

Mr. Kosten will make his report to the Full Medical Laboratory Board quarterly meeting on Thursday, July 13, 2006.

7. Other Business

Statement of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on October 11, 2006 at 1 p.m., CDT at the Millenium Maxwell House, 2025 Metro Center Boulevard, Nashville, TN 37228.

Record of Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 3:20 p.m. on a motion properly presented by Ms. Lahr and seconded by Dr. Neff The motion carried.

Signature:		Date:	
J	Martha Duncan, MT		
	Chairperson		

Attachment 1

License Number	Last Name	First Name	City	Category
21738	Abell	Debra A.	Chattanooga, TN	Technologist - General
21648	Adcox	Annita D.	Gray, TN	Technologist - General
21736	Blackman	Melinda C.	Chattanooga, TN	Technician - General
21765	Boggs	Linda S.	Pleasant View, TN	Supervisor - General
21730	Braden	Tiffany D.	Hopkinsville, KY	Technician - General
21649	Brimo	Imad	Memphis, TN	Technologist - General
19654	Bruce	Bryan T.	Cleveland, TN	Technologist - General
21702	Buck	Aaron D.	Cordova, TN	S.A Andrology
20889	Butler	Derick L.	Memphis, TN	Technologist - Chemistry
21724	Byers	Virginia M.	Gatlinburg, TN	S.A Cytogenetics
21674	Campbell	Kim K.	Johnson City, TN	Technician - General
21754	Cato	Tracey L.	Knoxville, TN	S.A Cytogenetics
21690	Conatser	Robert L.	Jamestown, TN	Technician - General
21792	Copeland	Charletta G.	Booneville, MS	Technician - General
21763	Daniels	Rose A.	Pathfork, KY	Technologist - General
21790	Deel	Leslie C.	Haysi, VA	Technologist - General
21732	Densford	Susan M.	Collierville, TN	Technologist - General
21781	Dunn	Juli D.	Middlesboro, KY	Technologist - General
21671	Everhart	Stephanie E.	Johnson City, TN	Technician - General
21669	Franklin	Melanie D.	Jonesborough, TN	Technician - General
21750	Gustafson	Danaille P.	Franklin, TN	Technologist - General
21646	Hale	Lonna S.	McMinnville, TN	Technician - General
21658	Hall	Aimee E.	Knoxville, TN	Technologist - General
21778	Hall	William R.	Franklin, TN	Technician - General
21776	Handshoe	John M.	Bethpage, TN	S.A Molecular Diagnostics
21748	Hardin	Tera J.	Elizabethton, TN	S.A Molecular Diagnostics
18790	Harvey	Sharon Ayres	Murfreesboro, TN	Supervisor - General
21777	Herrmann	Michael R.	Knoxville, TN	Technologist - General
21714	Hilliard	Charlotte R.	Memphis, TN	S.A Histocomp. & Immunogen
21714	Holden	Lea A.	Dresden, TN	Technologist - General
21795		Martha J.	Jackson, TN	S.A Cytotechnologist
18147	Hunter	Jacqueline M.	Memphis, TN	Supervisor - General
21676	Justice	Lisa G.	Johnson City, TN	Technician - General
21662	McCutcheon	Ellen R.	Winchester, TN	Technologist - General
21693	Menser	Martha E.	Lehigh Acres, FL	Supervisor - General
21761	Miller	Denise L.	Cecilia, KY	S.A Cytotechnologist
21715	Potter	Amy L.	Vine Grove, KY	Technician - General
21785	Pridmore	Katrina J.	Atoka, TN	S.A Cytotechnologist
21731	Pruitt	Leah S.	Greenbrier, TN	S.A Cytogenetics
21780	Ramsey	Sarah G.	Sneedville, TN	Technologist - General
1474	Rankin	Jan B.	Union City, TN	Supervisor - General
21709	Rose IV	Charles H.	Southaven, MS	Technologist - Chemistry

21794	Schroeder	Jessica L.	Speedwell, TN	Technologist - General
18347	Sharp	Joey T.	Memphis, TN	Technologist - General
21741	Smith	Karen K.	Hampton, TN	Technician - General
21758	Sparks	Tomeka L.	Cordova, TN	Technician - General
21746	Stinson	Sunidee E.	Greenback, TN	S.A Cytotechnologist
21786	Stowe	Christine M.	Nashville, TN	S.A Cytogenetics
21619	Talusan	Regina Ruth R.	Jackson, TN	Technologist - General
21733	Teague	Lacey R.	Tellico Plains, TN	Technician - General
21647	Terry	Frances V.	McMinnville, TN	Technician - General
21834	Thacker	Danny W.	Bristol, TN	Technologist - General
21717	Villegas	Narda I.	Fort Campbell, KY	Technologist - General
21737	Weiss	John J.	Brentwood, TN	Supervisor - General

NEW

TOTAL LICENSES 2ND QTR. 2006: 54

TEMPORARY LICENSES

	IEMPORARI	LICENSES		
21685	Mohamed	Merema A.	Antioch, TN	Technician - General
21722	Seals	Klondra L.	Byhalia, MS	Technologist - General
21692	Cleland	Tammie S.	Smithville, TN	Technician - General
21710	Powell	Linda D.	Chattanooga, TN	Technician - General
21751	Thompson	Heather E.	Antioch, TN	Technician - General
21739	Melton	Latise R.	Celina, TN	Technician - General
21735	Southard	Jaime R.	Rock Island, TN	Technician - General
21757	Key	Holly R.	Lexington, TN	Technician - General
21784	Hester	Norris	Memphis, TN	Technologist - General
21770	Hollingsworth	David B.	Trenton, TN	Technician - General
21803	Moore	Brandi L.	Michie, TN	Technician - General
21783	Powell	Rochelle	Memphis, TN	Technologist - General
21771	Bing	Eric G.	Troy, TN	Technician - General
21742	Perdomo	Pamela A.	Cleveland, TN	Technician - General
21772	Hong	Rath D.	Memphis, TN	Technologist - General
21782	McHugh	Kevin R.	Germantown, TN	Technologist - General

TOTAL TEMPORARY LICENSES 2ND QTR. 2006: 16

Attachment 2

License Numbe				
r	Last Name	First Name	City	Category
*5179	Ahlen	Mary Ann	Carmel, IN	Technologist - General Technician - Gen/MT -
14550	Ainsworth	Elizabeth D.	Hernando, MS	Immunohem
10145	Barker	Teresa L.	Gray, TN	Supervisor - General
19125	Baucum	Kechia A.	Gleason, TN	Technician - General
20173	Black	Teresa L.	Longwood, FL	Technologist - General
5675	Caples	Marsellar	Memphis, TN	Technician - General
19352	Capotosti	Candance Renay	Clarksville, TN	Technologist - General
20874	Davidson	Kelly D.	Corryton, TN	Technologist - General
18773	Davis	Rebecca K.	Shelbyville, TN	Technologist - General
*13497	Gaddis	Annette Michelle	Maryville, TN	Technician - General
9193	Gibson	Rebecca H.	Cookeville, TN	Supervisor - Micro.
7113	Hale	Yvonne G.	Medon, TN	Technician - General
13660	Hatfield	Anne E.	Memphis, TN	Technician - General
21254	Justice	Diane M.	Friendsville, TN	Supervisor - General
14906	Owens	Debra C.	Knoxville, TN	Technician - General
*8015	Parker	Dawn F.	Bowling Green, KY	Technologist - General
12094	Peppers	Maxine Louise	Cookeville, TN	Technician - General
4508	Snow	Thomas R.	Stockbridge, GA	Technologist - General
*8430	Sutton	Janson T.	Memphis, TN	Technologist - General
21106	Windsor	Robert D.	Asheville, NC	Technician - General
19996	Woodring	Kimberly D.	Elizabethton, TN	
	* REACTIVATED	VOLUNTARY	RETIRED	
TOTAL	REINSTATEMENT S	2ND QUARTER	2006: 21	